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LETTER DATED 14 JULY 1995 FROM THE CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES A.I. OF  
THE PERMANENT MISSION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED  
NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to present to you the attached letter, dated today, from  
His Excellency Kresimir Zubak, President of the Federation of Bosnia and  
Herzegovina, addressed to you (see annex).

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating the present letter as a  
document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Ivan Z. MISIĆ  
Ambassador  
Chargé d'affaires a.i.

Annex

Letter dated 14 July 1995 from the President of the  
Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to  
the President of the Security Council

The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina is seriously concerned about the developments in and around the three safe areas in eastern Bosnia and Herzegovina, which are integral parts of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Federation condemns in the strongest terms the actions of the Bosnian Serb army, with the assistance of the Army of Yugoslavia, against the safe area of Srebrenica and, today, against the safe area of Žepa.

The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina calls on the international community to take all possible measures, including the use of the rapid reaction force, to restore the status of safe areas in Srebrenica and Žepa, and to take additional measures to reinforce the safety and security of the other four safe areas in the Federation territory.

In this regard, the intention of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina to regulate its relations with the rapid reaction force should not be misinterpreted nor misused. Whether intentional or unintentional, this development can only come at the detriment to the innocent people of Bosnia and Herzegovina and at the detriment of the credibility of relevant parties.

Any objection that the Federation may have in respect of deployment of the rapid reaction force is related to the ambiguity of its mandate. If that mandate should include assistance to the relevant safe areas and if the Federation is informed about this in a clear and proper way, the Federation will provide all possible resources and cooperation so that objective can be achieved in the urgent manner that the present situation requires, as we already informed the Special Representative of the Secretary-General, Mr. Yasushi Akashi, yesterday in Mostar.

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